

property taxing authority of the school district;

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27	of the first class levy a property tax of at least .0006 per dollar of taxable value;
28	<ul> <li>amends the provisions relating to the requirement that a school district in a divided</li> </ul>
29	school district levy a property tax of at least .0006 per dollar of taxable value;
30	<ul><li>defines terms; and</li></ul>
31	<ul><li>makes technical changes.</li></ul>
32	Monies Appropriated in this Bill:
33	None
34	Other Special Clauses:
35	This bill takes effect on January 1, 2010.
36	<b>Utah Code Sections Affected:</b>
37	AMENDS:
38	11-2-7, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1961, Chapters 25 and 30
39	11-13-302, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 236 and 382
40	20A-1-203, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 16
41	53A-1a-106, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2003, Chapter 221
42	53A-1a-513, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 382 and 397
43	53A-2-114, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 236
44	53A-2-115, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 236
45	53A-2-118.2, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 297
46	<b>53A-2-118.3</b> , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 236
47	53A-2-206, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 382
48	<b>53A-2-214</b> , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 233
49	53A-3-415, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1991, Chapter 72
50	<b>53A-16-107.1</b> , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 236
51	53A-17a-103, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 61 and 397
52	53A-17a-105, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 382
53	53A-17a-127, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 397
54	53A-17a-133, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 61, 231, and 236
55	53A-17a-135, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 1
56	<b>53 A -179-143</b> as last amended by Laws of Utah 1995. Chapter 271

57	<b>53A-17a-150</b> , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2004, Chapter 305
58	53A-21-101.5, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 236
59	59-2-924, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 61, 118, 231, 236, 330, 360,
60	and 382
61	<b>59-2-924.3</b> , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 236
62	<b>59-2-924.4</b> , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 236
63	<b>59-2-926</b> , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 330
64	63G-7-704, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 382
65	ENACTS:
66	<b>53A-17a-163</b> , Utah Code Annotated 1953
67	<b>53A-17a-164</b> , Utah Code Annotated 1953
68	REPEALS:
69	<b>53A-16-107</b> , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 236
70	53A-16-110, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 236
71	<b>53A-16-111</b> , as enacted by Laws of Utah 1988, Chapter 2
72	53A-17a-134, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 231
73	53A-17a-145, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 1991, Chapter 72
74	<b>53A-17a-151</b> , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2004, Chapter 305
75 76	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
77	Section 1. Section 11-2-7 is amended to read:
78	11-2-7. Expenses Payment of Authority to appropriate and tax Licensing
79	of television owners and users Collection of license fees.
80	(1) All expenses incurred in the equipment, operation and maintenance of such
81	recreational facilities and activities shall be paid from the treasuries of the respective cities,
82	towns, counties, or school districts, and, except as provided in Subsection (3), the governing
83	bodies of the same may annually appropriate, and cause to be raised by taxation, money for
84	such purposes.
85	(2) In areas so remote from regular transmission points of the large television stations
86	that television reception is impossible without special equipment and adequate, economical and
87	proper television is not available to the public by private sources, said local authorities may

also, by ordinance, license, for the purpose of raising revenue to equip, operate and maintain television transmission and relay facilities, all users or owners of television sets within the jurisdiction of said local authorities, and may provide for the collection of the license fees by suit or otherwise and may also enforce obedience to such ordinances with such fine and imprisonment as the local authorities [deem] consider proper; provided that the punishment for any violation of such ordinances shall be by a fine not exceeding \$50.00 or by imprisonment not exceeding one day for each \$5.00 of said fine, if the fine is not paid.

- (3) A governing body that is a school district may not levy a tax in accordance with this section.
  - Section 2. Section 11-13-302 is amended to read:
- 11-13-302. Payment of fee in lieu of ad valorem property tax by certain energy suppliers -- Method of calculating -- Collection -- Extent of tax lien.
- (1) (a) Each project entity created under this chapter that owns a project and that sells any capacity, service, or other benefit from it to an energy supplier or suppliers whose tangible property is not exempted by Utah Constitution Article XIII, Section 3, from the payment of ad valorem property tax, shall pay an annual fee in lieu of ad valorem property tax as provided in this section to each taxing jurisdiction within which the project or any part of it is located.
- (b) For purposes of this section, "annual fee" means the annual fee described in Subsection (1)(a) that is in lieu of ad valorem property tax.
  - (c) The requirement to pay an annual fee shall commence:
- (i) with respect to each taxing jurisdiction that is a candidate receiving the benefit of impact alleviation payments under contracts or determination orders provided for in Sections 11-13-305 and 11-13-306, with the fiscal year of the candidate following the fiscal year of the candidate in which the date of commercial operation of the last generating unit, other than any generating unit providing additional project capacity, of the project occurs, or, in the case of any facilities providing additional project capacity, with the fiscal year of the candidate following the fiscal year of the candidate in which the date of commercial operation of the generating unit providing the additional project capacity occurs; and
- (ii) with respect to any taxing jurisdiction other than a taxing jurisdiction described in Subsection (1)(c)(i), with the fiscal year of the taxing jurisdiction in which construction of the project commences, or, in the case of facilities providing additional project capacity, with the

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- 119 fiscal year of the taxing jurisdiction in which construction of those facilities commences. 120 (d) The requirement to pay an annual fee shall continue for the period of the useful life 121 of the project or facilities. 122 (2) (a) The annual fees due a school district shall be as provided in Subsection (2)(b) 123 because the ad valorem property tax imposed by a school district and authorized by the 124 Legislature under Section 53A-17a-135 represents both: 125 (i) a levy mandated by the state for the state minimum school program under Section 126 53A-17a-135; and 127 (ii) local levies for capital outlay, maintenance, transportation, and other purposes 128 under Sections [<del>11-2-7, 53A-16-107, 53A-16-110, 53A-17a-126, 53A-17a-127,</del>] 129 53A-17a-133[<del>, 53A-17a-134, 53A-17a-143, and 53A-17a-145</del>], 53A-17a-163, and 130 53A-17a-164. 131 (b) The annual fees due a school district shall be as follows: 132 (i) the project entity shall pay to the school district an annual fee for the state minimum 133 school program at the rate imposed by the school district and authorized by the Legislature 134 under Subsection 53A-17a-135(1); and 135 (ii) for all other local property tax levies authorized to be imposed by a school district, 136 the project entity shall pay to the school district either: 137 (A) an annual fee; or 138 (B) impact alleviation payments under contracts or determination orders provided for 139 in Sections 11-13-305 and 11-13-306. 140 (3) (a) An annual fee due a taxing jurisdiction for a particular year shall be calculated 141 by multiplying the tax rate or rates of the jurisdiction for that year by the product obtained by 142 multiplying the fee base or value determined in accordance with Subsection (4) for that year of 143 the portion of the project located within the jurisdiction by the percentage of the project which 144 is used to produce the capacity, service, or other benefit sold to the energy supplier or suppliers. 145 (b) As used in this section, "tax rate," when applied in respect to a school district, 146 includes any assessment to be made by the school district under Subsection (2) or Section
  - (c) There is to be credited against the annual fee due a taxing jurisdiction for each year, an amount equal to the debt service, if any, payable in that year by the project entity on bonds,

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150 the proceeds of which were used to provide public facilities and services for impact alleviation 151 in the taxing jurisdiction in accordance with Sections 11-13-305 and 11-13-306. 152 (d) The tax rate for the taxing jurisdiction for that year shall be computed so as to: 153 (i) take into account the fee base or value of the percentage of the project located 154 within the taxing jurisdiction determined in accordance with Subsection (4) used to produce the 155 capacity, service, or other benefit sold to the supplier or suppliers; and 156 (ii) reflect any credit to be given in that year. 157 (4) (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the annual fees required by this 158 section shall be paid, collected, and distributed to the taxing jurisdiction as if: 159 (i) the annual fees were ad valorem property taxes; and 160 (ii) the project were assessed at the same rate and upon the same measure of value as 161 taxable property in the state. 162 (b) (i) Notwithstanding Subsection (4)(a), for purposes of an annual fee required by 163 this section, the fee base of a project may be determined in accordance with an agreement 164 among: 165 (A) the project entity; and 166 (B) any county that: 167 (I) is due an annual fee from the project entity; and 168 (II) agrees to have the fee base of the project determined in accordance with the 169 agreement described in this Subsection (4). 170 (ii) The agreement described in Subsection (4)(b)(i): 171 (A) shall specify each year for which the fee base determined by the agreement shall be 172 used for purposes of an annual fee; and 173 (B) may not modify any provision of this chapter except the method by which the fee 174 base of a project is determined for purposes of an annual fee. 175 (iii) For purposes of an annual fee imposed by a taxing jurisdiction within a county 176 described in Subsection (4)(b)(i)(B), the fee base determined by the agreement described in

Subsection (4)(b)(i) shall be used for purposes of an annual fee imposed by that taxing

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(iv) (A) If there is not agreement as to the fee base of a portion of a project for any

year, for purposes of an annual fee, the State Tax Commission shall determine the value of that

181	portion of the project for which there is not an agreement:
182	(I) for that year; and
183	(II) using the same measure of value as is used for taxable property in the state.
184	(B) The valuation required by Subsection (4)(b)(iv)(A) shall be made by the State Tax
185	Commission in accordance with rules made by the State Tax Commission.
186	(c) Payments of the annual fees shall be made from:
187	(i) the proceeds of bonds issued for the project; and
188	(ii) revenues derived by the project entity from the project.
189	(d) (i) The contracts of the project entity with the purchasers of the capacity, service, or
190	other benefits of the project whose tangible property is not exempted by Utah Constitution
191	Article XIII, Section 3, from the payment of ad valorem property tax shall require each
192	purchaser, whether or not located in the state, to pay, to the extent not otherwise provided for,
193	its share, determined in accordance with the terms of the contract, of these fees.
194	(ii) It is the responsibility of the project entity to enforce the obligations of the
195	purchasers.
196	(5) (a) The responsibility of the project entity to make payment of the annual fees is
197	limited to the extent that there is legally available to the project entity, from bond proceeds or
198	revenues, monies to make these payments, and the obligation to make payments of the annual
199	fees is not otherwise a general obligation or liability of the project entity.
200	(b) No tax lien may attach upon any property or money of the project entity by virtue of
201	any failure to pay all or any part of an annual fee.
202	(c) The project entity or any purchaser may contest the validity of an annual fee to the
203	same extent as if the payment was a payment of the ad valorem property tax itself.
204	(d) The payments of an annual fee shall be reduced to the extent that any contest is
205	successful.
206	(6) (a) The annual fee described in Subsection (1):
207	(i) shall be paid by a public agency that:
208	(A) is not a project entity; and
209	(B) owns an interest in a facility providing additional project capacity if the interest is
210	otherwise exempt from taxation pursuant to Utah Constitution, Article XIII, Section 3; and
211	(ii) for a public agency described in Subsection (6)(a)(i), shall be calculated in

election only for:

212	accordance with Subsection (6)(b).
213	(b) The annual fee required under Subsection (6)(a) shall be an amount equal to the tax
214	rate or rates of the applicable taxing jurisdiction multiplied by the product of the following:
215	(i) the fee base or value of the facility providing additional project capacity located
216	within the jurisdiction;
217	(ii) the percentage of the ownership interest of the public agency in the facility; and
218	(iii) the portion, expressed as a percentage, of the public agency's ownership interest
219	that is attributable to the capacity, service, or other benefit from the facility that is sold by the
220	public agency to an energy supplier or suppliers whose tangible property is not exempted by
221	Utah Constitution, Article XIII, Section 3, from the payment of ad valorem property tax.
222	(c) A public agency paying the annual fee pursuant to Subsection (6)(a) shall have the
223	obligations, credits, rights, and protections set forth in Subsections (1) through (5) with respect
224	to its ownership interest as though it were a project entity.
225	Section 3. Section <b>20A-1-203</b> is amended to read:
226	20A-1-203. Calling and purpose of special elections.
227	(1) Statewide and local special elections may be held for any purpose authorized by
228	law.
229	(2) (a) Statewide special elections shall be conducted using the procedure for regular
230	general elections.
231	(b) Except as otherwise provided in this title, local special elections shall be conducted
232	using the procedures for regular municipal elections.
233	(3) The governor may call a statewide special election by issuing an executive order
234	that designates:
235	(a) the date for the statewide special election; and
236	(b) the purpose for the statewide special election.
237	(4) The Legislature may call a statewide special election by passing a joint or
238	concurrent resolution that designates:
239	(a) the date for the statewide special election; and
240	(b) the purpose for the statewide special election.
241	(5) (a) The legislative body of a local political subdivision may call a local special

243	(i) a vote on a bond or debt issue;
244	(ii) a vote on a [voted leeway program] voted local discretionary levy authorized by
245	Section 53A-17a-133 [ <del>or 53A-17a-134</del> ];
246	(iii) an initiative authorized by Chapter 7, Part 5, Local Initiatives - [Procedure]
247	Procedures;
248	(iv) a referendum authorized by Chapter 7, Part 6, Local Referenda - Procedures;
249	(v) if required or authorized by federal law, a vote to determine whether or not Utah's
250	legal boundaries should be changed;
251	(vi) a vote authorized or required by Title 59, Chapter 12, Sales and Use Tax Act;
252	(vii) a vote to elect members to school district boards for a new school district and a
253	remaining school district, as defined in Section 53A-2-117, following the creation of a new
254	school district under Section 53A-2-118.1; or
255	(viii) an election of town officers of a newly incorporated town under Subsection
256	10-2-125(9).
257	(b) The legislative body of a local political subdivision may call a local special election
258	by adopting an ordinance or resolution that designates:
259	(i) the date for the local special election; and
260	(ii) the purpose for the local special election.
261	Section 4. Section <b>53A-1a-106</b> is amended to read:
262	53A-1a-106. School district and individual school powers.
263	(1) In order to acquire and develop the characteristics listed in Section 53A-1a-104,
264	each school district and each public school within its respective district shall implement a
265	comprehensive system of accountability in which students advance through public schools by
266	demonstrating competency in required skills and mastery of required knowledge through the
267	use of diverse assessment instruments such as authentic and criterion referenced tests, projects,
268	and portfolios.
269	(2) (a) Each school district and public school shall:
270	(i) develop and implement programs integrating technology into the curriculum,
271	instruction, and student assessment;
272	(ii) provide for teacher and parent involvement in policymaking at the school site;
273	(iii) implement a public school choice program to give parents, students, and teachers

- greater flexibility in designing and choosing among programs with different focuses through schools within the same district and other districts, subject to space availability, demographics, and legal and performance criteria;
  - (iv) establish strategic planning at both the district and school level and site-based decision making programs at the school level;
  - (v) provide opportunities for each student to acquire and develop academic and occupational knowledge, skills, and abilities;
  - (vi) participate in ongoing research and development projects primarily at the school level aimed at improving the quality of education within the system; and
  - (vii) involve business and industry in the education process through the establishment of partnerships with the business community at the district and school level.
  - (b) (i) Each local school board, in consultation with school personnel, parents, and school community councils or similar entities shall establish policies to provide for the effective implementation of a personalized student education plan (SEP) or student education/occupation plan (SEOP) for each student at the school site.
    - (ii) The policies shall include guidelines and expectations for:
  - (A) recognizing the student's accomplishments, strengths, and progress towards meeting student achievement standards as defined in U-PASS;
    - (B) planning, monitoring, and managing education and career development; and
- (C) involving students, parents, and school personnel in preparing and implementing SEPs and SEOPs.
- (iii) A parent may request conferences with school personnel in addition to SEP or SEOP conferences established by local school board policy.
- (iv) Time spent during the school day to implement SEPs and SEOPs is considered part of the school term referred to in Subsection 53A-17a-103[<del>(5)</del>](4).
- (3) A school district or public school may submit proposals to modify or waive rules or policies of a supervisory authority within the public education system in order to acquire or develop the characteristics listed in Section 53A-1a-104.
- (4) (a) Each school district and public school shall make an annual report to its patrons on its activities under this section.
  - (b) The reporting process shall involve participation from teachers, parents, and the

305	community at large in determining how well the district or school is performing.
306	Section 5. Section 53A-1a-513 is amended to read:
307	53A-1a-513. Funding for charter schools.
308	(1) As used in this section:
309	(a) "Charter school students' average local revenues" means the amount determined as
310	follows:
311	(i) for each student enrolled in a charter school on the previous October 1, calculate the
312	district per pupil local revenues of the school district in which the student resides;
313	(ii) sum the district per pupil local revenues for each student enrolled in a charter
314	school on the previous October 1; and
315	(iii) divide the sum calculated under Subsection (1)(a)(ii) by the number of students
316	enrolled in charter schools on the previous October 1.
317	(b) "District per pupil local revenues" means the amount determined as follows, using
318	data from the most recently published school district annual financial reports and state
319	superintendent's annual report:
320	(i) calculate the sum of a school district's revenue received from:
321	(A) a voted <u>local discretionary</u> levy imposed under Section 53A-17a-133;
322	(B) a board <u>local discretionary</u> levy imposed under Section [53A-17a-134;]
323	53A-17a-163; and
324	[(C) 10% of the cost of the basic program levy imposed under Section 53A-17a-145;]
325	[(D) a tort liability levy imposed under Section 63G-7-704;]
326	[(E)] (C) a capital [outlay] discretionary levy imposed under Section [53A-16-107]
327	<u>53A-17a-164</u> ; and
328	[(F) a voted capital outlay levy imposed under Section 53A-16-110; and]
329	(ii) divide the sum calculated under Subsection (1)(b)(i) by the sum of:
330	(A) a school district's average daily membership; and
331	(B) the average daily membership of a school district's resident students who attend
332	charter schools.
333	(c) "Resident student" means a student who is considered a resident of the school
334	district under Title 53A, Chapter 2, Part 2, District of Residency.
335	(d) "Statewide average debt service revenues" means the amount determined as

336	follows, using data from the most recently published state superintendent's annual report:
337	(i) sum the revenues of each school district from the debt service levy imposed under
338	Section 11-14-310; and
339	(ii) divide the sum calculated under Subsection (1)(d)(i) by statewide school district
340	average daily membership.
341	(2) (a) Charter schools shall receive funding as described in this section, except
342	Subsections (3) through (8) do not apply to charter schools described in Subsection (2)(b).
343	(b) Charter schools authorized by local school boards that are converted from district
344	schools or operate in district facilities without paying reasonable rent shall receive funding as
345	prescribed in Section 53A-1a-515.
346	(3) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (3)(b), a charter school shall receive state
347	funds, as applicable, on the same basis as a school district receives funds.
348	(b) In distributing funds under Title 53A, Chapter 17a, Minimum School Program Act,
349	to charter schools, charter school pupils shall be weighted, where applicable, as follows:
350	(i) .55 for kindergarten pupils;
351	(ii) .9 for pupils in grades 1-6;
352	(iii) .99 for pupils in grades 7-8; and
353	(iv) 1.2 for pupils in grades 9-12.
354	(4) (a) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(a)(ii), a school district shall allocate a
355	portion of school district revenues for each resident student of the school district who is
356	enrolled in a charter school on October 1 equal to 25% of the lesser of:
357	(A) district per pupil local revenues; or
358	(B) charter school students' average local revenues.
359	(ii) For the purpose of allocating school district revenues under Subsection (4)(a)(i), a
360	kindergarten student who is enrolled in less than a full-day kindergarten program is weighted as
361	.55 of a student.
362	(iii) Nothing in this Subsection (4)(a) affects the school bond guarantee program
363	established under Chapter 28, Utah School Bond Guaranty Act.
364	(b) The State Board of Education shall:
365	(i) deduct an amount equal to the allocation provided under Subsection (4)(a) from

state funds the school district is authorized to receive under Title 53A, Chapter 17a, Minimum

367 School Program Act; and

- 368 (ii) remit the money to the student's charter school.
  - (c) Notwithstanding the method used to transfer school district revenues to charter schools as provided in Subsection (4)(b), a school district may deduct the allocations to charter schools under this section from:
    - (i) unrestricted revenues available to the school district; or
  - (ii) the revenue sources listed in Subsections (1)(b)(i)(A) [through (F)] and (B) based on the portion of the allocations to charter schools attributed to each of the revenue sources listed in Subsections (1)(b)(i)(A) [through (F)] and (B).
  - (d) (i) Subject to future budget constraints, the Legislature shall provide an appropriation for charter schools for each student enrolled on October 1 to supplement the allocation of school district revenues under Subsection (4)(a).
  - (ii) Except as provided in Subsections (4)(d)(iii) and (iv), the amount of money provided by the state for a charter school student shall be the sum of:
  - (A) charter school students' average local revenues minus the allocation of school district revenues under Subsection (4)(a); and
    - (B) statewide average debt service revenues.
  - (iii) If the total of a school district's allocation for a charter school student under Subsection (4)(a) and the amount provided by the state under Subsection (4)(d)(ii) is less than \$1427, the state shall provide an additional supplement so that a charter school receives at least \$1427 per student under this Subsection (4).
  - (iv) For the purpose of providing state monies for charter school students under this Subsection (4)(d), a kindergarten student who is enrolled in less than a full-day kindergarten program is weighted as .55 of a student.
  - (e) Of the monies provided to a charter school under this Subsection (4), 10% shall be expended for funding school facilities only.
  - (5) Charter schools are eligible to receive federal funds if they meet all applicable federal requirements and comply with relevant federal regulations.
  - (6) The State Board of Education shall distribute funds for charter school students directly to the charter school.
  - (7) (a) Notwithstanding Subsection (3), a charter school is not eligible to receive state

transportation funding.

- (b) The board shall also adopt rules relating to the transportation of students to and from charter schools, taking into account Sections 53A-2-210 and 53A-17a-127.
- (c) The governing body of the charter school may provide transportation through an agreement or contract with the local school board, a private provider, or with parents.
- (8) (a) (i) The state superintendent of public instruction may allocate grants for both start-up and ongoing costs to eligible charter school applicants from monies appropriated for the implementation of this part.
- (ii) Applications for the grants shall be filed on a form determined by the state superintendent and in conjunction with the application for a charter.
- (iii) The amount of a grant may vary based upon the size, scope, and special circumstances of the charter school.
- (iv) The governing board of the charter school shall use the grant to meet the expenses of the school as established in the school's charter.
- (b) The State Board of Education shall coordinate the distribution of federal monies appropriated to help fund costs for establishing and maintaining charter schools within the state.
- (9) (a) A charter school may receive, hold, manage and use any devise, bequest, grant, endowment, gift, or donation of any property made to the school for any of the purposes of this part.
- (b) It is unlawful for any person affiliated with a charter school to demand or request any gift, donation, or contribution from a parent, teacher, employee, or other person affiliated with the charter school as a condition for employment or enrollment at the school or continued attendance at the school.
  - Section 6. Section **53A-2-114** is amended to read:
- 53A-2-114. Additional levies -- School board options to abolish or continue after consolidation.
- (1) If a school district which has approved an additional levy under Section [53A-16-110,] 53A-17a-133[, 53A-17a-134, or 53A-17a-145] or 53A-17a-163 is consolidated with a district which does not have such a levy, the board of education of the consolidated district may choose to abolish the levy, or apply it in whole or in part to the entire consolidated

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53A-17a-133 <u>or 53A-17a-163</u>; or

429	district.
430	(2) If the board chooses to apply any part of the levy to the entire district, the levy may
431	continue in force for no more than three years, unless approved by the electors of the
432	consolidated district in the manner set forth in Section [53A-16-110] 53A-17a-133.
433	Section 7. Section <b>53A-2-115</b> is amended to read:
434	53A-2-115. Additional levies in transferred territory Transferee board option
435	to abolish or continue.
436	If two or more districts undergo restructuring that results in a district receiving territory
437	that increases the population of the district by at least 25%, and if the transferred territory was,
438	at the time of transfer, subject to an additional levy under Section [53A-16-110,]
439	53A-17a-133[ <del>, 53A-17a-134, or 53A-17a-145</del> ] <u>or 53A-17a-163</u> , the board of education of the
440	transferee district may abolish the levy or apply the levy in whole or in part to the entire
441	restructured district. Any such levy made applicable to the entire district may continue in force
442	for no more than five years, unless approved by the electors of the restructured district in the
443	manner set forth in Section [ <del>53A-16-110</del> ] <u>53A-17a-133</u> .
444	Section 8. Section <b>53A-2-118.2</b> is amended to read:
445	53A-2-118.2. New school district property tax Limitations.
446	(1) (a) A new school district created under Section 53A-2-118.1 may not impose a
447	property tax prior to the fiscal year in which the new school district assumes responsibility for
448	providing student instruction.
449	(b) The remaining school district retains authority to impose property taxes on the
450	existing school district, including the territory of the new school district, until the fiscal year in
451	which the new school district assumes responsibility for providing student instruction.
452	(2) (a) If at the time a new school district created pursuant to Section 53A-2-118.1
453	assumes responsibility for student instruction any portion of the territory within the new school
454	district was subject to a levy pursuant to Section [53A-16-110 or] 53A-17a-133 or
455	53A-17a-163, the new school district's board may:
456	(i) discontinue the levy for the new school district;
457	(ii) impose a levy on the new school district as provided in Section [53A-16-110 or]

(iii) impose the levy on the new school district, subject to Subsection (2)(b).

- (b) If the new school district's board applies a levy to the new school district pursuant to Subsection (2)(a)(iii), the levy may not exceed the maximum duration or rate authorized by the voters of the existing district or districts at the time of the vote to create the new school district.
  - Section 9. Section **53A-2-118.3** is amended to read:

## 53A-2-118.3. Imposition of the capital discretionary levy in qualifying divided school districts.

- (1) For purposes of this section:
- (a) "Qualifying divided school district" means a divided school district:
- (i) located within a county of the second through sixth class; and
- (ii) with a new school district created under Section 53A-2-118.1 that begins to provide educational services after July 1, 2008.
- (b) "Qualifying taxable year" means the calendar year in which a new school district begins to provide educational services.
- (2) Beginning with the qualifying taxable year, in order to qualify for receipt of the state contribution toward the minimum school program described in Section 53A-17a-104, a school district within a qualifying divided school district shall impose a capital [outlay] discretionary levy described in Section [53A-16-107] 53A-17a-164 of at least .0006 per dollar of taxable value.
- (3) The county treasurer of a county with a qualifying divided school district shall distribute revenues generated by the .0006 portion of the capital [outlay] discretionary levy required in Subsection (2) to the school districts located within the boundaries of the qualifying divided school district as follows:
- (a) 25% of the revenues shall be distributed in proportion to a school district's percentage of the total enrollment growth in all of the school districts within the qualifying divided school district that have an increase in enrollment, calculated on the basis of the average annual enrollment growth over the prior three years in all of the school districts within the qualifying divided school district that have an increase in enrollment over the prior three years, as of the October 1 enrollment counts; and
- (b) 75% of the revenues shall be distributed in proportion to a school district's percentage of the total current year enrollment in all of the school districts within the qualifying

divided school district, as of the October 1 enrollment counts.

- (4) If a new school district is created or school district boundaries are adjusted, the enrollment and average annual enrollment growth for each affected school district shall be calculated on the basis of enrollment in school district schools located within that school district's newly created or adjusted boundaries, as of October 1 enrollment counts.
- (5) On or before December 31 of each year, the State Board of Education shall provide a county treasurer with audited enrollment information from the fall enrollment audit necessary to distribute revenues as required by this section.
- (6) On or before March 31 of each year, a county treasurer in a county with a qualifying divided school district shall distribute, in accordance with Subsection (3), the revenue generated within the qualifying divided school district during the prior calendar year from the capital [outlay] discretionary levy required in Subsection (2).
  - Section 10. Section **53A-2-206** is amended to read:
- 53A-2-206. Interstate compact students -- Inclusion in attendance count -- Funding for foreign exchange students -- Annual report -- Requirements for exchange student agencies.
- (1) A school district or charter school may include the following students in the district's or school's membership and attendance count for the purpose of apportionment of state monies:
- (a) a student enrolled under an interstate compact, established between the State Board of Education and the state education authority of another state, under which a student from one compact state would be permitted to enroll in a public school in the other compact state on the same basis as a resident student of the receiving state; or
  - (b) a student receiving services under the Compact on Placement of Children.
- (2) (a) A school district or charter school may include foreign exchange students in the district's or school's membership and attendance count for the purpose of apportionment of state monies, except as provided in Subsections (2)(b) through (e).
- (b) (i) Notwithstanding Section 53A-17a-106, foreign exchange students may not be included in average daily membership for the purpose of determining the number of weighted pupil units in the grades 1-12 basic program.
- (ii) Subject to the limitation in Subsection (2)(c), the number of weighted pupil units in

- the grades 1-12 basic program attributed to foreign exchange students shall be equal to the number of foreign exchange students who were:
  - (A) enrolled in a school district or charter school on October 1 of the previous fiscal year; and
  - (B) sponsored by an agency approved by the district's local school board or charter school's governing board.
  - (c) (i) The total number of foreign exchange students in the state that may be counted for the purpose of apportioning state monies under Subsection (2)(b) shall be the lesser of:
  - (A) the number of foreign exchange students enrolled in public schools in the state on October 1 of the previous fiscal year; or
    - (B) 328 foreign exchange students.
  - (ii) The State Board of Education shall make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to administer the cap on the number of foreign exchange students that may be counted for the purpose of apportioning state monies under Subsection (2)(b).
  - (d) Notwithstanding Sections 53A-17a-133 [and 53A-17a-134] or 53A-17a-163, weighted pupil units in the grades 1-12 basic program for foreign exchange students, as determined by Subsections (2)(b) and (c), may not be included for the purposes of determining a school district's state guarantee money under the voted [or board leeway programs] local discretionary levy or board local discretionary levy.
  - (e) Notwithstanding Section 53A-17a-125, foreign exchange students may not be included in enrollment when calculating student growth for the purpose of adjusting the annual appropriation for retirement and Social Security.
    - (3) A school district or charter school may:
    - (a) enroll foreign exchange students that do not qualify for state monies; and
  - (b) pay for the costs of those students with other funds available to the school district or charter school.
  - (4) Due to the benefits to all students of having the opportunity to become familiar with individuals from diverse backgrounds and cultures, school districts are encouraged to enroll foreign exchange students, as provided in Subsection (3), particularly in schools with declining or stable enrollments where the incremental cost of enrolling the foreign exchange

student may be minimal.

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- (5) The board shall make an annual report to the Legislature on the number of exchange students and the number of interstate compact students sent to or received from public schools outside the state.
- (6) (a) A local school board or charter school governing board shall require each approved exchange student agency to provide it with a sworn affidavit of compliance prior to the beginning of each school year.
  - (b) The affidavit shall include the following assurances:
  - (i) that the agency has complied with all applicable policies of the board;
- (ii) that a household study, including a background check of all adult residents, has been made of each household where an exchange student is to reside, and that the study was of sufficient scope to provide reasonable assurance that the exchange student will receive proper care and supervision in a safe environment;
- (iii) that host parents have received training appropriate to their positions, including information about enhanced criminal penalties under Subsection 76-5-406(10) for persons who are in a position of special trust;
- (iv) that a representative of the exchange student agency shall visit each student's place of residence at least once each month during the student's stay in Utah;
- (v) that the agency will cooperate with school and other public authorities to ensure that no exchange student becomes an unreasonable burden upon the public schools or other public agencies;
- (vi) that each exchange student will be given in the exchange student's native language names and telephone numbers of agency representatives and others who could be called at any time if a serious problem occurs; and
- (vii) that alternate placements are readily available so that no student is required to remain in a household if conditions appear to exist which unreasonably endanger the student's welfare.
- (7) (a) A local school board or charter school governing board shall provide each approved exchange student agency with a list of names and telephone numbers of individuals not associated with the agency who could be called by an exchange student in the event of a serious problem.

584	(b) The agency shall make a copy of the list available to each of its exchange students
585	in the exchange student's native language.
586	Section 11. Section <b>53A-2-214</b> is amended to read:
587	53A-2-214. Online students' participation in extracurricular activities.
588	(1) As used in this section:
589	(a) "Online education" means the use of information and communication technologies
590	to deliver educational opportunities to a student in a location other than a school.
591	(b) "Online student" means a student who:
592	(i) participates in an online education program sponsored or supported by the State
593	Board of Education, a school district, or charter school; and
594	(ii) generates funding for the school district or school pursuant to Subsection
595	53A-17a-103[ <del>(5)</del> ] <u>(4)</u> and rules of the State Board of Education.
596	(2) An online student is eligible to participate in extracurricular activities at:
597	(a) the school within whose attendance boundaries the student's custodial parent or
598	legal guardian resides; or
599	(b) the public school from which the student withdrew for the purpose of participating
600	in an online education program.
601	(3) A school other than a school described in Subsection (2)(a) or (b) may allow an
602	online student to participate in extracurricular activities other than:
603	(a) interschool competitions of athletic teams sponsored and supported by a public
604	school; or
605	(b) interschool contests or competitions for music, drama, or forensic groups or teams
606	sponsored and supported by a public school.
607	(4) An online student is eligible for extracurricular activities at a public school
608	consistent with eligibility standards as applied to full-time students of the public school.
609	(5) A school district or public school may not impose additional requirements on an
610	online school student to participate in extracurricular activities that are not imposed on
611	full-time students of the public school.
612	(6) (a) The State Board of Education shall make rules establishing fees for an online
613	school student's participation in extracurricular activities at school district schools.
614	(b) The rules shall provide that:

615	(i) online school students pay the same fees as other students to participate in
616	extracurricular activities;
617	(ii) online school students are eligible for fee waivers pursuant to Section 53A-12-103
618	(iii) for each online school student who participates in an extracurricular activity at a
619	school district school, the online school shall pay a share of the school district's costs for the
620	extracurricular activity; and
621	(iv) an online school's share of the costs of an extracurricular activity shall reflect state
622	and local tax revenues expended, except capital facilities expenditures, for an extracurricular
623	activity in a school district or school divided by total student enrollment of the school district
624	or school.
625	(c) In determining an online school's share of the costs of an extracurricular activity
626	under Subsections (6)(b)(iii) and (iv), the State Board of Education may establish uniform fees
627	statewide based on average costs statewide or average costs within a sample of school districts
628	(7) When selection to participate in an extracurricular activity at a public school is
629	made on a competitive basis, an online student is eligible to try out for and participate in the
630	activity as provided in this section.
631	Section 12. Section <b>53A-3-415</b> is amended to read:
632	53A-3-415. School board policy on detaining students after school.
633	(1) Each local school board shall establish a policy on detaining students after regular
634	school hours as a part of the districtwide discipline plan required under Section [53A-17a-135]
635	<u>53A-11-901</u> .
636	(2) The policy shall apply to elementary school students, grades kindergarten through
637	six. The board shall receive input from teachers, school administrators, and parents and
638	guardians of the affected students before adopting the policy.
639	(3) The policy shall provide for notice to the parent or guardian of a student prior to
640	holding the student after school on a particular day. The policy shall also provide for
641	exceptions to the notice provision if detention is necessary for the student's health or safety.
642	Section 13. Section <b>53A-16-107.1</b> is amended to read:
643	53A-16-107.1. Capital discretionary levy in counties of the first class
644	Allocation.
645	(1) The county treasurer of a county of the first class shall distribute revenues

generated by the .0006 portion of the capital [outlay] <u>discretionary</u> levy required in [Subsection 53A-16-107(3)] <u>Section 53A-17a-164</u> to school districts located within the county of the first class as follows:

- (a) 25% of the revenues shall be distributed in proportion to a school district's percentage of the total enrollment growth in all of the school districts within the county that have an increase in enrollment, calculated on the basis of the average annual enrollment growth over the prior three years in all of the school districts within the county that have an increase in enrollment over the prior three years, as of the October 1 enrollment counts; and
- (b) 75% of the revenues shall be distributed in proportion to a school district's percentage of the total current year enrollment in all of the school districts within the county, as of the October 1 enrollment counts.
- (2) If a new school district is created or school district boundaries are adjusted, the enrollment and average annual enrollment growth for each affected school district shall be calculated on the basis of enrollment in school district schools located within that school district's newly created or adjusted boundaries, as of October 1 enrollment counts.
- (3) On or before December 31 of each year, the State Board of Education shall provide a county treasurer with audited enrollment information from the fall enrollment audit necessary to distribute revenues as required by this section.
- (4) On or before March 31 of each year, a county treasurer in a county of the first class shall distribute the revenue generated within the county of the first class during the prior calendar year from the capital [outlay] discretionary levy described in Section [53A-16-107] 53A-17a-164.
  - Section 14. Section **53A-17a-103** is amended to read:
  - 53A-17a-103. Definitions.
    - As used in this chapter:
- (1) "Basic state-supported school program" or "basic program" means public education programs for kindergarten, elementary, and secondary school students that are operated and maintained for the amount derived by multiplying the number of weighted pupil units for each district by \$2,577, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.
- (2) (a) "Certified revenue levy" means a property tax levy that provides an amount of ad valorem property tax revenue equal to the sum of:

677	(i) the amount of ad valorem property tax revenue to be generated statewide in the
678	previous year from imposing a minimum basic tax rate, as specified in Subsection
679	53A-17a-135(1)[ <del>(a)</del> ]; and
680	(ii) the product of:
681	(A) new growth, as defined in:
682	(I) Section 59-2-924; and
683	(II) rules of the State Tax Commission; and
684	(B) the minimum basic tax rate certified by the State Tax Commission for the previous
685	year.
686	(b) For purposes of this Subsection (2), "ad valorem property tax revenue" does not
687	include property tax revenue received statewide from personal property that is:
688	(i) assessed by a county assessor in accordance with Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 3, County
689	Assessment; and
690	(ii) semiconductor manufacturing equipment.
691	(c) For purposes of calculating the certified revenue levy described in this Subsection
692	(2), the State Tax Commission shall use:
693	(i) the taxable value of real property assessed by a county assessor contained on the
694	assessment roll;
695	(ii) the taxable value of real and personal property assessed by the State Tax
696	Commission; and
697	(iii) the taxable year end value of personal property assessed by a county assessor
698	contained on the prior year's assessment roll.
699	[(3) "Leeway program" or "leeway" means a state-supported voted leeway program or
700	board leeway program authorized under Section 53A-17a-133 or 53A-17a-134.]
701	[(4)] (3) "Pupil in average daily membership (ADM)" means a full-day equivalent
702	pupil.
703	[(5)] (4) (a) "State-supported minimum school program" or "minimum school
704	program" means public school programs for kindergarten, elementary, and secondary schools
705	as described in this Subsection $[(5)]$ $(4)$ .
706	(b) The minimum school program established in the districts shall include the
707	equivalent of a school term of nine months as determined by the State Board of Education.

- (c) (i) The board shall establish the number of days or equivalent instructional hours that school is held for an academic school year.
  - (ii) Education, enhanced by utilization of technologically enriched delivery systems, when approved by local school boards, shall receive full support by the State Board of Education as it pertains to fulfilling the attendance requirements, excluding time spent viewing commercial advertising.
    - (d) The program includes the total of the following annual costs:
    - (i) the cost of a basic state-supported school program; and
    - (ii) other amounts appropriated in this chapter in addition to the basic program.
  - [(6)] (5) "Weighted pupil unit or units or WPU or WPUs" means the unit of measure of factors that is computed in accordance with this chapter for the purpose of determining the costs of a program on a uniform basis for each district.
- Section 15. Section **53A-17a-105** is amended to read:
- 53A-17a-105. Action required for underestimated or overestimated weighted pupil units -- Action required for underestimating or overestimating local contributions.
- (1) If the number of weighted pupil units in a program is underestimated in Section 53A-17a-104, the amount per pupil in that program paid under this chapter must be reduced so that the amount paid does not exceed the estimated amount by program.
- (2) If the number of weighted pupil units in a program is overestimated in Section 53A-17a-104, the state superintendent of public instruction shall either increase the amount paid in that program per weighted pupil unit or transfer the unused amount in that program to another program included in the minimum school program.
- (3) (a) If surplus funds are transferred to another program, the state superintendent, if the state superintendent determines certain districts have greater need for additional funds, may designate the districts as well as the programs to which the transferred funds will be allocated.
- (b) Any amounts transferred under Subsection (3)(a) may be spent in addition to the amounts listed in Section 53A-17a-104.
- (4) The limitation on the proceeds from local tax rates for [operation and maintenance] all programs under this chapter is subject to modification by local school boards under Sections 53A-17a-133 and [53A-17a-134] 53A-17a-163 and to special tax rates authorized by this chapter, and shall be adjusted accordingly.

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739 (5) If local contributions are overestimated, the guarantee per weighted pupil unit is 740 reduced for all programs so the total state contribution [for operation and maintenance 741 programs] does not exceed the amount authorized in Subsection 53A-17a-104(1). 742 (6) (a) If local contributions from the basic tax rate [for operation and maintenance 743 programs] are underestimated, the excess is applied: 744 (i) first, to support the value of the weighted pupil unit as set by the Legislature for 745 total weighted pupil units generated by the districts and those costs of Social Security and 746 retirement[-]; 747 (ii) second, to transportation[7]; and 748 (iii) third, to board and voted [leeway] local discretionary levy guarantees that occur as 749 a result of the additional generated weighted pupil units, following internal adjustments by the 750 state superintendent as provided in this section. 751 (b) The state contribution is decreased so the total school program cost [for operation 752 and maintenance programs] does not exceed the total estimated contributions to school districts 753 for all programs under Subsection 53A-17a-104(2) plus the amount of local revenue necessary 754 to support the value of the weighted pupil unit for weighted pupil units generated and those 755 costs of Social Security and retirement, transportation, and board and voted leeway that occur 756 as a result of the additional generated weighted pupil units. 757 (7) As an exception to Section 63J-1-401, the state fiscal officer may not close out 758 appropriations from the Uniform School Fund at the end of a fiscal year. 759 Section 16. Section **53A-17a-127** is amended to read: 760 53A-17a-127. Eligibility for state-supported transportation -- Approved bus 761 routes -- Additional local tax. 762 (1) A student eligible for state-supported transportation means: 763 (a) a student enrolled in kindergarten through grade six who lives at least 1-1/2 miles 764 from school: 765 (b) a student enrolled in grades seven through 12 who lives at least two miles from 766 school; and 767 (c) a student enrolled in a special program offered by a school district and approved by

the State Board of Education for trainable, motor, multiple-disabled, or other students with

severe disabilities who are incapable of walking to school or where it is unsafe for students to

walk because of their disabling condition, without reference to distance from school.

- (2) If a school district implements double sessions as an alternative to new building construction, with the approval of the State Board of Education, those affected elementary school students residing less than 1-1/2 miles from school may be transported one way to or from school because of safety factors relating to darkness or other hazardous conditions as determined by the local school board.
- (3) (a) The State Board of Education shall distribute transportation monies to school districts based on:
  - (i) an allowance per mile for approved bus routes;
  - (ii) an allowance per hour for approved bus routes;
- (iii) an annual allowance for equipment and overhead costs based on approved bus routes and the age of the equipment; and
  - (iv) a minimum allocation for each school district eligible for transportation funding.
- (b) The State Board of Education shall distribute appropriated transportation funds based on the prior year's eligible transportation costs as legally reported under Subsection 53A-17a-126(3).
- (c) In order for a bus to be considered for the equipment allowance under Subsection (3)(a)(iii), it must meet federal and state regulations and standards for school buses.
- (d) The State Board of Education shall annually review the allowance per mile, the allowance per hour, and the annual equipment and overhead allowance and adjust the allowance to reflect current economic conditions.
- (4) (a) Approved bus routes for funding purposes shall be determined on fall data collected by October 1.
- (b) Approved route funding shall be determined on the basis of the most efficient and economic routes.
- (5) A Transportation Advisory Committee with representation from local school superintendents, business officials, school district transportation supervisors, and the state superintendent's staff shall serve as a review committee for addressing school transportation needs, including recommended approved bus routes.
- (6) (a) A local school board may provide for the transportation of students who are not eligible under Subsection (1), regardless of the distance from school, from [: (i)] general funds

801	of the district[ <del>; and</del> ].
802	[(ii) a tax rate not to exceed .0003 per dollar of taxable value imposed on the district.]
803	[(b) A local school board may use revenue from the tax to pay for transporting
804	participating students to interscholastic activities, night activities, and educational field trips
805	approved by the board and for the replacement of school buses.]
806	[(e) (i) If a local school board levies a tax under Subsection (6)(a)(ii) of at least .0002,
807	the]
808	(b) (i) The state may contribute an amount not to exceed 85% of the state average cost
809	per mile, contingent upon the Legislature appropriating funds for a state contribution.
810	(ii) The state superintendent's staff shall distribute the state contribution according to
811	rules enacted by the State Board of Education.
812	[(d)] (c) (i) The amount of state guarantee money which a school district would
813	otherwise be entitled to receive under Subsection (6)[(e)](b)(i) may not be reduced for the sole
814	reason that the district's levy is reduced as a consequence of changes in the certified tax rate
815	under Section 59-2-924 due to changes in property valuation.
816	(ii) Subsection (6)[(d)](c)(i) applies for a period of two years following the change in
817	the certified tax rate.
818	Section 17. Section 53A-17a-133 is amended to read:
819	53A-17a-133. Voted local discretionary levy Election requirements State
820	guarantee Reconsideration of levy authorization.
821	(1) An election to consider adoption or modification of a voted leeway program is
822	required if initiative petitions signed by 10% of the number of electors who voted at the last
823	preceding general election are presented to the local school board or by action of the board.
824	(2) (a) (i) To [establish a voted leeway program] impose a voted local discretionary
825	<u>levy</u> , a majority of the electors of a district voting at an election in the manner set forth in
826	[Section 53A-16-110] Subsections (8) and (9) must vote in favor of a special tax.
827	(ii) The tax rate may not exceed .002 per dollar of taxable value.
828	[(b) The district may maintain a school program which exceeds the cost of the program
829	referred to in Section 53A-17a-145 with this voted leeway.]
830	[(c)] (b) In order to receive state support the first year, a district must receive voter
831	approval no later than December 1 of the year prior to implementation.

- (3) (a) [Under the voted leeway program] In addition to the revenue a school district collects from the imposition of a levy pursuant to this section, the state shall contribute an amount sufficient to guarantee \$17.54 per weighted pupil unit for each .0001 of the first .0016 per dollar of taxable value.
- (b) The same dollar amount guarantee per weighted pupil unit for the .0016 per dollar of taxable value under Subsection (3)(a) shall apply to [the board-approved leeway] a portion of the board local discretionary levy authorized in Section [53A-17a-134] 53A-17a-163, so that the guarantee shall apply up to a total of .002 per dollar of taxable value if a school district levies a tax rate under both programs.
- (c) (i) Beginning July 1, 2005, the \$17.54 guarantee under Subsections (3)(a) and (b) shall be indexed each year to the value of the weighted pupil unit by making the value of the guarantee equal to .008544 times the value of the prior year's weighted pupil unit.
- (ii) The guarantee shall increase by .0005 times the value of the prior year's weighted pupil unit for each succeeding year until the guarantee is equal to .010544 times the value of the prior year's weighted pupil unit.
- (d) (i) The amount of state guarantee money to which a school district would otherwise be entitled to under this Subsection (3) may not be reduced for the sole reason that the district's levy is reduced as a consequence of changes in the certified tax rate under Section 59-2-924 pursuant to changes in property valuation.
- (ii) Subsection (3)(d)(i) applies for a period of five years following any such change in the certified tax rate.
- (4) (a) An election to modify [an] existing [voted leeway program] authority to impose a voted local discretionary levy is not a reconsideration of the existing [program] authority unless the proposition submitted to the electors expressly so states.
- (b) A majority vote opposing a modification does not deprive the district of authority to continue [an] the existing [program] levy.
- (c) If adoption of a [leeway program] voted local discretionary levy is contingent upon an offset reducing other local school board levies, the board must allow the electors, in an election, to consider modifying or discontinuing the [program] imposition of the levy prior to a subsequent increase in other levies that would increase the total local school board levy.
  - (d) Nothing contained in this section terminates, without an election, the authority of a

- school district to continue [an existing voted leeway program] imposing an existing voted local discretionary levy previously authorized by the voters as a voted leeway program.
- (5) Notwithstanding Section 59-2-918, a school district may budget an increased amount of ad valorem property tax revenue derived from a voted [leeway] local discretionary levy imposed under this section in addition to revenue from new growth as defined in Subsection 59-2-924(4), without having to comply with the advertisement requirements of Section 59-2-918, if:
  - (a) the voted [leeway] local discretionary levy is approved:
- (i) in accordance with [Section 53A-16-110] Subsections (8) and (9) on or after January 1, 2003; and
  - (ii) within the four-year period immediately preceding the year in which the school district seeks to budget an increased amount of ad valorem property tax revenue derived from the voted [leeway] local discretionary levy; and
  - (b) for a voted [leeway] local discretionary levy approved or modified in accordance with this section on or after January 1, 2009, the school district complies with the requirements of Subsection (7).
  - (6) Notwithstanding Section 59-2-919, a school district may levy a tax rate under this section that exceeds the certified tax rate without having to comply with the advertisement requirements of Section 59-2-919 if:
  - (a) the levy exceeds the certified tax rate as the result of a school district budgeting an increased amount of ad valorem property tax revenue derived from a voted [leeway] local discretionary levy imposed under this section;
    - (b) if the voted [leeway] local discretionary levy was approved:
- (i) in accordance with [Section 53A-16-110] Subsections (8) and (9) on or after January 1, 2003; and
- (ii) within the four-year period immediately preceding the year in which the school district seeks to budget an increased amount of ad valorem property tax revenue derived from the voted [leeway] local discretionary levy; and
- (c) for a voted [leeway] local discretionary levy approved or modified in accordance with this section on or after January 1, 2009, the school district complies with requirements of Subsection (7).

894	(7) For purposes of Subsection (5)(b) or (6)(c), the proposition submitted to the
895	electors regarding the adoption or modification of [a voted leeway program] the authority to
896	impose a voted local discretionary levy shall contain the following statement:
897	"A vote in favor of this tax means that (name of the school district) may increase
898	revenue from this property tax without advertising the increase for the next five years."
899	(8) (a) Before imposing a property tax levy pursuant to this section, a school district
900	shall submit an opinion question to the school district's registered voters voting on the
901	imposition of the tax rate so that each registered voter has the opportunity to express the
902	registered voter's opinion on whether the tax rate should be imposed.
903	(b) The election required by this Subsection (8) shall be held:
904	(i) at a regular general election conducted in accordance with the procedures and
905	requirements of Title 20A, Election Code, governing regular elections;
906	(ii) at a municipal general election conducted in accordance with the procedures and
907	requirements of Section 20A-1-202; or
908	(iii) at a local special election conducted in accordance with the procedures and
909	requirements of Section 20A-1-203.
910	(c) Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsections (8)(a) and (b), beginning on or
911	after January 1, 2010, a school district may levy a tax rate in accordance with this section
912	without complying with the requirements of Subsections (8)(a) and (b) if the school district
913	imposed a tax in accordance with this section at any time during the taxable year beginning on
914	January 1, 2009 and ending on December 31, 2009.
915	(9) If a school district determines that a majority of the school district's registered
916	voters voting on the imposition of the tax rate have voted in favor of the imposition of the tax
917	rate in accordance with Subsection (8), the school district may impose the tax rate.
918	Section 18. Section <b>53A-17a-135</b> is amended to read:
919	53A-17a-135. Minimum basic tax rate.
920	(1) (a) [In] Except as provided in Subsection (1)(b), in order to qualify for receipt of
921	the state contribution toward the basic program and as its contribution toward its costs of the
922	basic program, each school district shall impose a minimum basic tax rate per dollar of taxable
923	value that generates [\$260,731,750 in revenues statewide] an amount of revenue equal to the
924	revenue generated by the certified revenue levy for the calendar year beginning on January 1,

925	<u>2010</u> .
926	[(b) The preliminary estimate for the 2008-09 minimum basic tax rate is .00125.]
927	[(c) The State Tax Commission shall certify on or before June 22 the rate that
928	generates \$260,731,750 in revenues statewide.]
929	[(d) If the minimum basic tax rate exceeds the certified revenue levy as defined in
930	Section 53A-17a-103, the state is subject to the notice requirements of Section 59-2-926.]
931	(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (1)(a), for a calendar year beginning on or after
932	January 1, 2011, the minimum basic tax rate per dollar of taxable value shall be the greater of:
933	(i) the tax rate described in Subsection (1)(a); or
934	(ii) the certified revenue levy for that calendar year as defined in Section 53A-17a-103.
935	(2) (a) The state shall contribute to each district toward the cost of the basic program in
936	the district that portion which exceeds the proceeds of the levy authorized under Subsection
937	(1).
938	(b) In accord with the state strategic plan for public education and to fulfill its
939	responsibility for the development and implementation of that plan, the Legislature instructs
940	the State Board of Education, the governor, and the Office of Legislative Fiscal Analyst in each
941	of the coming five years to develop budgets that will fully fund student enrollment growth.
942	(3) (a) If the proceeds of the levy authorized under Subsection (1) equal or exceed the
943	cost of the basic program in a school district, no state contribution shall be made to the basic
944	program.
945	(b) The proceeds of the levy authorized under Subsection (1) which exceed the cost of
946	the basic program shall be paid into the Uniform School Fund as provided by law.
947	(4) For fiscal year 2010-11, the Legislature shall increase the dollar amount described
948	in Subsection 53A-17a-103(1) by an amount equal to the difference between:
949	(a) the amount of revenue generated statewide from the imposition of the minimum
950	basic tax rate during calendar year 2010; and
951	(b) the amount of revenue that would have been generated from the imposition of the
952	certified revenue levy statewide for the same calendar year.
953	Section 19. Section <b>53A-17a-143</b> is amended to read:
954	53A-17a-143. Federal Impact Aid Program Offset for underestimated
955	allocations from the Federal Impact Aid Program.

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956	(1) In addition to the revenues received from the levy imposed by each school district
957	and authorized by the Legislature under Section 53A-17a-135, [a local school board may
958	increase its tax rate to] the Legislature shall provide an amount equal to the difference between
959	the district's anticipated receipts under the entitlement for the fiscal year from [Public Law
960	81-874] the Federal Impact Aid Program and the amount the district actually received from this
961	source for the next preceding fiscal year.
962	[(2) The tax rate for this purpose may not exceed .0008 per dollar of taxable value in
963	any fiscal year.]
964	[(3) This authorization terminates for each district at the end of the third year it is
965	used.]
966	[(4)] (2) If at the end of a fiscal year the sum of the receipts of a school district from
967	[this special tax rate plus allocation from Public Law 81-874] a distribution from the
968	Legislature pursuant to Subsection (1) plus the school district's allocations from the Federal
969	Impact Aid Program for that fiscal year exceeds the amount allocated to the district from
970	[Public Law 81-874] the Federal Impact Aid Program for the next preceding fiscal year, the
971	excess funds are carried into the next succeeding fiscal year and become in that year a part of
972	the district's contribution to its basic program for operation and maintenance under the state
973	minimum school finance law.
974	[(5)] (3) During that year the district's required tax rate for the basic program shall be
975	reduced so that the yield from the reduced tax rate plus the carryover funds equal the district's
976	required contribution to its basic program.
977	[(6)] (4) A district that reduces its basic tax rate under this section shall receive state
978	minimum school program funds as though the reduction in the tax rate had not been made.
979	Section 20. Section <b>53A-17a-150</b> is amended to read:
980	53A-17a-150. K-3 Reading Improvement Program.
981	(1) As used in this section:
982	(a) "Program" means the K-3 Reading Improvement Program[; and].
983	(b) "Program monies" means:
984	[(i) school district revenue from the levy authorized under Section 53A-17a-151;]

[(ii)] (i) school district revenue allocated to the program from other monies available to

the school district, except monies provided by the state, for the purpose of receiving state funds

987	under this section; and
988	[(iii)] (ii) monies appropriated by the Legislature to the program.
989	(2) The K-3 Reading Improvement Program consists of program monies and is created
990	to achieve the state's goal of having third graders reading at or above grade level.
991	(3) Subject to future budget constraints, the Legislature may annually appropriate
992	money to the K-3 Reading Improvement Program.
993	(4) (a) Prior to using program monies, a school district or charter school shall submit a
994	plan to the State Board of Education for reading proficiency improvement that incorporates the
995	following components:
996	(i) assessment;
997	(ii) intervention strategies;
998	(iii) professional development;
999	(iv) reading performance standards; and
1000	(v) specific measurable goals that are based upon gain scores.
1001	(b) The State Board of Education shall provide model plans which a school district or
1002	charter school may use, or the district or school may develop its own plan.
1003	(c) Plans developed by a school district or charter school shall be approved by the State
1004	Board of Education.
1005	(5) There is created within the K-3 Reading Achievement Program three funding
1006	programs:
1007	(a) the Base Level Program;
1008	(b) the Guarantee Program; and
1009	(c) the Low Income Students Program.
1010	(6) Monies appropriated to the State Board of Education for the K-3 Reading
1011	Improvement Program shall be allocated to the three funding programs as follows:
1012	(a) 8% to the Base Level Program;
1013	(b) 46% to the Guarantee Program; and
1014	(c) 46% to the Low Income Students Program.
1015	(7) (a) To participate in the Base Level Program, a school district or charter school
1016	shall submit a reading proficiency improvement plan to the State Board of Education as
1017	provided in Subsection (4) and must receive approval of the plan from the board.

- 1018 (b) (i) Each school district qualifying for Base Level Program funds and the qualifying 1019 elementary charter schools combined shall receive a base amount.
  - (ii) The base amount for the qualifying elementary charter schools combined shall be allocated among each school in an amount proportionate to:
  - (A) each existing charter school's prior year fall enrollment in grades kindergarten through grade 3; and
  - (B) each new charter school's estimated fall enrollment in grades kindergarten through grade 3.
    - (8) (a) A school district that applies for program monies in excess of the Base Level Program funds shall choose to first participate in either the Guarantee Program or the Low Income Students Program.
    - (b) A school district must fully participate in either the Guarantee Program or the Low Income Students Program before it may elect to either fully or partially participate in the other program.
    - (c) To fully participate in the Guarantee Program, a school district shall[: (i) levy a tax rate of .000056 under Section 53A-17a-151; (ii)] allocate to the program other monies available to the school district, except monies provided by the state, equal to the amount of revenue that would be generated by a tax rate of .000056[; or].
    - [(iii) levy a tax under Section 53A-17a-151 and allocate to the program other monies available to the school district, except monies provided by the state, so that the total revenue from the combined revenue sources equals the amount of revenue that would be generated by a tax rate of .000056.]
    - (d) To fully participate in the Low Income Students Program, a school district shall[: (i) levy a tax rate of .000065 under Section 53A-17a-151; (ii)] allocate to the program other monies available to the school district, except monies provided by the state, equal to the amount of revenue that would be generated by a tax rate of .000065[; or].
    - [(iii) levy a tax under Section 53A-17a-151 and allocate to the program other monies available to the school district, except monies provided by the state, so that the total revenue from the combined revenue sources equals the amount of revenue that would be generated by a tax rate of .000065.]
      - (e) (i) The State Board of Education shall verify that a school district allocates the

- monies required in accordance with Subsections (8)(c) and (d) before it distributes funds in accordance with this section.
  - (ii) The State Tax Commission will provide the State Board of Education the information the State Board of Education needs to comply with Subsection (8)(e)(i).
  - (9) (a) A school district that fully participates in the Guarantee Program shall receive state funds in an amount that is:
  - (i) equal to the difference between \$21 times the district's total WPUs and the revenue the school district is required to generate or allocate under Subsection (8)(c) to fully participate in the Guarantee Program; and
    - (ii) not less than \$0.
  - (b) An elementary charter school shall receive under the Guarantee Program an amount equal to \$21 times the school's total WPUs.
  - (10) The State Board of Education shall distribute Low Income Students Program funds in an amount proportionate to the number of students in each school district or charter school who qualify for free or reduced price school lunch multiplied by two.
  - (11) A school district that partially participates in the Guarantee Program or Low Income Students Program shall receive program funds based on the amount of district revenue generated for or allocated to the program as a percentage of the amount of revenue that could have been generated or allocated if the district had fully participated in the program.
  - (12) (a) Each school district and charter school shall use program monies for reading proficiency improvement in grades kindergarten through grade three.
  - (b) Program monies may not be used to supplant funds for existing programs, but may be used to augment existing programs.
  - (13) (a) Each school district and charter school shall annually submit a report to the State Board of Education accounting for the expenditure of program monies in accordance with its plan for reading proficiency improvement.
  - (b) If a school district or charter school uses program monies in a manner that is inconsistent with Subsection (12), the school district or charter school is liable for reimbursing the State Board of Education for the amount of program monies improperly used, up to the amount of program monies received from the State Board of Education.
    - (14) (a) The State Board of Education shall make rules to implement the program.

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1080	(b) (i) The rules under Subsection (14)(a) shall require each school district or charter
1081	school to annually report progress in meeting goals stated in the district's or charter school's
1082	plan for student reading proficiency as measured by gain scores.
1083	(ii) If a school district or charter school does not meet or exceed the goals, the school
1084	district or charter school shall prepare a new plan which corrects deficiencies. The new plan
1085	must be approved by the State Board of Education before the school district or charter school
1086	receives an allocation for the next year.
1087	[(15) If after 36 months of program operation, a school district fails to meet goals
1088	stated in the district's plan for student reading proficiency as measured by gain scores, the
1089	school district shall terminate any levy imposed under Section 53A-17a-151.]
1090	Section 21. Section <b>53A-17a-163</b> is enacted to read:
1091	53A-17a-163. Board local discretionary levy.
1092	(1) As used in this section:
1093	(a) "Basic levy increment" means an amount equal to the difference of:
1094	(i) an amount equal to the difference of:
1095	(A) the amount of revenue that would be generated within a school district by the
1096	imposition of the certified revenue levy described in Section 53A-17a-103 for the current
1097	calendar year; and
1098	(B) the estimated amount of revenue to be generated within the school district by the
1099	imposition of the minimum basic tax rate levied in accordance with Section 53A-17a-135
1100	during the current calendar year; and
1101	(ii) the school district's estimated WPU distribution from the basic levy increase
1102	described in Subsection (1)(i) during the current taxable year.
1103	(b) "Board local discretionary levy" means, for the taxable year beginning on January
1104	1, 2010, a tax rate equal to the sum of the tax rates imposed by a school district from the
1105	following levies:
1106	(i) Section 11-2-7;
1107	(ii) Section 53A-17a-127;
1108	(iii) Section 53A-17a-134;
1109	(iv) Section 53A-17a-143;
1110	(v) the portion of the 10% of basic levy described in Section 53A-17a-145 that is

1111	budgeted for textbooks, supplies, maintenance, and operations;
1112	(vi) Section 53A-17a-151; and
1113	(vii) Section 63G-7-704.
1114	(c) "Board property tax revenue" means an amount equal to the difference of the
1115	following:
1116	(i) an amount of revenue equal to the sum of:
1117	(A) the amount of revenue generated during the taxable year beginning on January 1,
1118	2009, from the sum of the following levies of a school district:
1119	(I) Section 11-2-7;
1120	(II) Section 53A-17a-127;
1121	(III) Section 53A-17a-134;
1122	(IV) Section 53A-17a-143;
1123	(V) the portion of the 10% of basic levy described in Section 53A-17a-145 that is
1124	budgeted for textbooks, supplies, maintenance, and operations;
1125	(VI) Section 53A-17a-151; and
1126	(VII) Section 63G-7-704; and
1127	(B) new growth as defined in Subsection 59-2-924(4)(c); minus
1128	(ii) the school district's estimated WPU distribution from the basic levy increase
1129	described in Subsection (1)(i) during the current calendar year.
1130	(d) "Certified tax rate" means a school district's certified tax rate calculated in
1131	accordance with Section 59-2-924.
1132	(e) "Contributing school district" means a school district that in a fiscal year receives
1133	less revenue from its WPU distribution from the basic levy increase than the amount of revenue
1134	generated within its school district during the same fiscal year from the imposition of the
1135	minimum basic levy rate increase.
1136	(f) "Increased revenue generated statewide from the minimum basic levy" means an
1137	amount equal to the difference of:
1138	(i) the estimated amount of revenue generated statewide by the imposition of the
1139	minimum basic tax rate levied in accordance with Section 53A-17a-135 during the current
1140	calendar year; and
1141	(ii) the amount of revenue that would be generated statewide by the imposition of the

1142	certified revenue levy during the current calendar year.
1143	(g) "Minimum basic levy rate increase" means the rate equal to the difference of:
1144	(i) the minimum basic tax rate levied during the current year; and
1145	(ii) the certified revenue levy tax rate for the current year.
1146	(h) "Receiving school district" means a school district that in a fiscal year receives
1147	more revenue from its WPU distribution from the basic levy increase than the amount of
1148	revenue generated within its school district during the same fiscal year from the imposition of
1149	the minimum basic levy rate increase.
1150	(i) "WPU distribution from the basic levy increase" means the revenue distributed to a
1151	school district from the minimum school program under Title 53A, Chapter 17a, Part 1,
1152	Minimum School Program, as a result of the increased revenue generated statewide from the
1153	minimum basic levy rate increase.
1154	(2) (a) Subject to the other requirements of this section, for a taxable year beginning on
1155	or after January 1, 2010, a local school board may levy a tax to fund the school district's
1156	general fund.
1157	(b) A tax rate imposed by a school district pursuant to this section may not exceed
1158	.0012 per dollar of taxable value in any fiscal year.
1159	(3) For fiscal year 2010-11, a school district is exempt from the public notice and
1160	hearing requirements of Sections 59-2-918 and 59-2-919 for the school district's board local
1161	discretionary levy if the school district budgets an amount of ad valorem property tax revenue
1162	equal to or less than the school district's board property tax revenue.
1163	(4) (a) For a fiscal year beginning on or after fiscal year 2011-12, a receiving school
1164	district is exempt from the public notice and hearing requirements of Sections 59-2-918 and
1165	59-2-919 for the receiving school district's board local discretionary levy if the receiving school
1166	district budgets an amount of ad valorem property tax revenue equal to or less than the
1167	receiving school district's board property tax revenue.
1168	(b) For a fiscal year beginning on or after fiscal year 2011-12, a contributing school
1169	district is exempt from the public notice and hearing requirements of Sections 59-2-918 and
1170	59-2-919 for the contributing school district's board local discretionary levy if the contributing
1171	school district budgets an amount of ad valorem property tax revenue equal to or less than:
1172	(i) the school district's board property tax revenue; minus

1173	(ii) the school district's basic levy increment.
1174	Section 22. Section <b>53A-17a-164</b> is enacted to read:
1175	53A-17a-164. Capital discretionary levy First class county required levy.
1176	(1) As used in this section:
1177	(a) "Capital aggregate tax rate" means a tax rate equal to the sum of the tax rates
1178	imposed by a school district from the following levies:
1179	(i) Section 53A-16-107; and
1180	(ii) the portion of the 10% of basic levy described in Section 53A-17a-145 that is
1181	budgeted for debt service or capital outlay.
1182	(b) "Capital property tax revenue" means an amount equal to an amount equal to the
1183	sum of the following:
1184	(i) the amount of revenue generated during the taxable year beginning on January 1,
1185	2009, from the sum of the following levies of a school district:
1186	(A) Section 53A-16-107; and
1187	(B) the portion of the 10% of basic levy described in Section 53A-17a-145 that is
1188	budgeted for debt service or capital outlay; and
1189	(ii) new growth as defined in Subsection 59-2-924(4)(c).
1190	(c) "Certified tax rate" means a school district's certified tax rate calculated in
1191	accordance with Section 59-2-924.
1192	(2) (a) Subject to the other requirements of this section, for taxable years beginning on
1193	or after January 1, 2010, a local school board may levy a tax to fund the school district's capital
1194	projects.
1195	(b) A tax rate imposed by a school district pursuant to this section may not exceed
1196	.0030 per dollar of taxable value in any fiscal year.
1197	(3) For fiscal year 2010-11, a school district is exempt from the public notice and
1198	hearing requirements of Sections 59-2-918 and 59-2-919 for the school district's board local
1199	discretionary levy if the school district budgets an amount of ad valorem property tax revenue
1200	equal to or less than the school district's capital property tax revenue.
1201	(4) Beginning January 1, 2010, in order to qualify for receipt of the state contribution
1202	toward the minimum school program described in Section 53A-17a-104, a local school board
1203	in a county of the first class shall impose a capital discretionary levy of at least 0006 per dollar

1204	of taxable value.
1205	(5) (a) The county treasurer of a county of the first class shall distribute revenues
1206	generated by the .0006 portion of the capital discretionary levy required in Subsection (4) to
1207	school districts within the county in accordance with Section 53A-16-107.1.
1208	(b) If a school district in a county of the first class imposes a capital discretionary levy
1209	pursuant to this section which exceeds .0006 per dollar of taxable value, the county treasurer of
1210	a county of the first class shall distribute revenues generated by the portion of the capital
1211	discretionary levy which exceeds .0006 to the school district imposing the levy.
1212	Section 23. Section <b>53A-21-101.5</b> is amended to read:
1213	53A-21-101.5. Definitions.
1214	As used in this chapter:
1215	(1) "ADM" or "pupil in average daily membership" is as defined in Section
1216	53A-17a-103.
1217	(2) "Combined capital levy rate" means a rate that includes the sum of the following
1218	property tax levies:
1219	(a) the capital [outlay] discretionary levy authorized in Section [53A-16-107]
1220	53A-17a-164; and
1221	[(b) the portion of the 10% of basic levy described in Section 53A-17a-145 that is
1222	budgeted for debt service or capital outlay;]
1223	[(c)] (b) the debt service levy authorized in Section 11-14-310[; and].
1224	[(d) the voted capital outlay leeway authorized in Section 53A-16-110.]
1225	(3) "Derived net taxable value" means the quotient of:
1226	(a) the total current property tax collections from April 1 through the following March
1227	31 for a school district; divided by
1228	(b) the school district's total tax rate for the calendar year preceding the March 31
1229	referenced in Subsection (3)(a).
1230	(4) "Highest combined capital levy rate" means the highest combined capital levy rate
1231	imposed by any school district within the state for a fiscal year.
1232	(5) "Property tax base per ADM" means the quotient of:
1233	(a) a school district's derived net taxable value; divided by
1234	(b) the school district's ADM for the same year.

1235	(6) "Property tax yield per ADM" means:
1236	(a) the product of:
1237	(i) a school district's derived net taxable value; and
1238	(ii) the highest combined capital levy rate for the fiscal year of the March 31 referenced
1239	in Subsection (3)(a); divided by
1240	(b) the school district's ADM for the same fiscal year.
1241	(7) "Statewide average property tax base per ADM" means the quotient of:
1242	(a) the sum of all school districts' derived net taxable value; divided by
1243	(b) the sum of all school districts' ADM statewide for the same year.
1244	Section 24. Section <b>59-2-924</b> is amended to read:
1245	59-2-924. Report of valuation of property to county auditor and commission
1246	Transmittal by auditor to governing bodies Certified tax rate Calculation of certified
1247	tax rate Rulemaking authority Adoption of tentative budget.
1248	(1) Before June 1 of each year, the county assessor of each county shall deliver to the
1249	county auditor and the commission the following statements:
1250	(a) a statement containing the aggregate valuation of all taxable real property assessed
1251	by a county assessor in accordance with Part 3, County Assessment, for each taxing entity; and
1252	(b) a statement containing the taxable value of all personal property assessed by a
1253	county assessor in accordance with Part 3, County Assessment, from the prior year end values.
1254	(2) The county auditor shall, on or before June 8, transmit to the governing body of
1255	each taxing entity:
1256	(a) the statements described in Subsections (1)(a) and (b);
1257	(b) an estimate of the revenue from personal property;
1258	(c) the certified tax rate; and
1259	(d) all forms necessary to submit a tax levy request.
1260	(3) (a) The "certified tax rate" means a tax rate that will provide the same ad valorem
1261	property tax revenues for a taxing entity as were budgeted by that taxing entity for the prior
1262	year.
1263	(b) For purposes of this Subsection (3):
1264	(i) "Ad valorem property tax revenues" do not include:
1265	(A) collections from redemptions;

1266	(B) interest;
1267	(C) penalties; and
1268	(D) revenue received by a taxing entity from personal property that is:
1269	(I) assessed by a county assessor in accordance with Part 3, County Assessment; and
1270	(II) semiconductor manufacturing equipment.
1271	(ii) "Aggregate taxable value of all property taxed" means:
1272	(A) the aggregate taxable value of all real property assessed by a county assessor in
1273	accordance with Part 3, County Assessment, for the current year;
1274	(B) the aggregate taxable year end value of all personal property assessed by a county
1275	assessor in accordance with Part 3, County Assessment, for the prior year; and
1276	(C) the aggregate taxable value of all real and personal property assessed by the
1277	commission in accordance with Part 2, Assessment of Property, for the current year.
1278	(c) (i) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the certified tax rate shall be
1279	calculated by dividing the ad valorem property tax revenues budgeted for the prior year by the
1280	taxing entity by the amount calculated under Subsection (3)(c)(ii).
1281	(ii) For purposes of Subsection (3)(c)(i), the legislative body of a taxing entity shall
1282	calculate an amount as follows:
1283	(A) calculate for the taxing entity the difference between:
1284	(I) the aggregate taxable value of all property taxed; and
1285	(II) any redevelopment adjustments for the current calendar year;
1286	(B) after making the calculation required by Subsection (3)(c)(ii)(A), calculate an
1287	amount determined by increasing or decreasing the amount calculated under Subsection
1288	(3)(c)(ii)(A) by the average of the percentage net change in the value of taxable property for the
1289	equalization period for the three calendar years immediately preceding the current calendar
1290	year;
1291	(C) after making the calculation required by Subsection (3)(c)(ii)(B), calculate the
1292	product of:
1293	(I) the amount calculated under Subsection (3)(c)(ii)(B); and
1294	(II) the percentage of property taxes collected for the five calendar years immediately
1295	preceding the current calendar year; and
1296	(D) after making the calculation required by Subsection (3)(c)(ii)(C), calculate an

1297	amount determined by subtracting from the amount calculated under Subsection (3)(c)(ii)(C)
1298	any new growth as defined in this section:
1299	(I) within the taxing entity; and
1300	(II) for the following calendar year:
1301	(Aa) for new growth from real property assessed by a county assessor in accordance
1302	with Part 3, County Assessment and all property assessed by the commission in accordance
1303	with Section 59-2-201, the current calendar year; and
1304	(Bb) for new growth from personal property assessed by a county assessor in
1305	accordance with Part 3, County Assessment, the prior calendar year.
1306	(iii) For purposes of Subsection (3)(c)(ii)(A), the aggregate taxable value of all
1307	property taxed:
1308	(A) except as provided in Subsection (3)(c)(iii)(B) or (3)(c)(ii)(C), is as defined in
1309	Subsection (3)(b)(ii);
1310	(B) does not include the total taxable value of personal property contained on the tax
1311	rolls of the taxing entity that is:
1312	(I) assessed by a county assessor in accordance with Part 3, County Assessment; and
1313	(II) semiconductor manufacturing equipment; and
1314	(C) for personal property assessed by a county assessor in accordance with Part 3,
1315	County Assessment, the taxable value of personal property is the year end value of the personal
1316	property contained on the prior year's tax rolls of the entity.
1317	(iv) For purposes of Subsection (3)(c)(ii)(B), for calendar years beginning on or after
1318	January 1, 2007, the value of taxable property does not include the value of personal property
1319	that is:
1320	(A) within the taxing entity assessed by a county assessor in accordance with Part 3,
1321	County Assessment; and
1322	(B) semiconductor manufacturing equipment.
1323	(v) For purposes of Subsection (3)(c)(ii)(C)(II), for calendar years beginning on or after
1324	January 1, 2007, the percentage of property taxes collected does not include property taxes
1325	collected from personal property that is:
1326	(A) within the taxing entity assessed by a county assessor in accordance with Part 3,
1327	County Assessment; and

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1328	(B) semiconductor manufacturing equipment.
1329	(vi) For purposes of Subsection (3)(c)(ii)(B), for calendar years beginning on or after
1330	January 1, 2009, the value of taxable property does not include the value of personal property
1331	that is within the taxing entity assessed by a county assessor in accordance with Part 3, County
1332	Assessment.
1333	(vii) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,
1334	the commission may prescribe rules for calculating redevelopment adjustments for a calendar
1335	year.
1336	(d) (i) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,
1337	the commission shall make rules determining the calculation of ad valorem property tax
1338	revenues budgeted by a taxing entity.
1339	(ii) For purposes of Subsection (3)(d)(i), ad valorem property tax revenues budgeted by
1340	a taxing entity shall be calculated in the same manner as budgeted property tax revenues are
1341	calculated for purposes of Section 59-2-913.
1342	(e) The certified tax rates for the taxing entities described in this Subsection (3)(e) shall
1343	be calculated as follows:
1344	(i) except as provided in Subsection (3)(e)(ii), for new taxing entities the certified tax
1345	rate is zero;
1346	(ii) for each municipality incorporated on or after July 1, 1996, the certified tax rate is:
1347	(A) in a county of the first, second, or third class, the levy imposed for municipal-type
1348	services under Sections 17-34-1 and 17-36-9; and
1349	(B) in a county of the fourth, fifth, or sixth class, the levy imposed for general county
1350	purposes and such other levies imposed solely for the municipal-type services identified in
1351	Section 17-34-1 and Subsection 17-36-3(22); and
1352	(iii) for debt service voted on by the public, the certified tax rate shall be the actual
1353	levy imposed by that section, except that the certified tax rates for the following levies shall be
1354	calculated in accordance with Section 59-2-913 and this section:
1355	(A) school [leeways] levies provided for under Sections [11-2-7, 53A-16-110,
1356	<del>53A-17a-125, 53A-17a-127,</del> ] 53A-17a-133[ <del>, 53A-17a-134, 53A-17a-143, 53A-17a-145, and</del>

(B) levies to pay for the costs of state legislative mandates or judicial or administrative

<del>53A-21-103</del>], 53A-17a-163, and 53A-17a-164;</del> and

1359 orders under Section 59-2-1604.

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- (f) (i) A judgment levy imposed under Section [59-2-1328 or] 59-2-1330 shall be established at that rate which is sufficient to generate only the revenue required to satisfy one or more eligible judgments, as defined in Section 59-2-102.
- (ii) The ad valorem property tax revenue generated by the judgment levy shall not be considered in establishing the taxing entity's aggregate certified tax rate.
- (g) The ad valorem property tax revenue generated by the capital [outlay] discretionary levy described in Section [53A-16-107] 53A-17a-164 within a taxing entity in a county of the first class:
- (i) may not be considered in establishing the school district's aggregate certified tax rate; and
- (ii) shall be included by the commission in establishing a certified tax rate for that capital [outlay] discretionary levy determined in accordance with the calculation described in Subsection 59-2-913(3).
  - (4) (a) For the purpose of calculating the certified tax rate, the county auditor shall use:
- (i) the taxable value of real property assessed by a county assessor contained on the assessment roll;
  - (ii) the taxable value of real and personal property assessed by the commission; and
- (iii) the taxable year end value of personal property assessed by a county assessor contained on the prior year's assessment roll.
- (b) For purposes of Subsection (4)(a)(i), the taxable value of real property on the assessment roll does not include new growth as defined in Subsection (4)(c).
  - (c) "New growth" means:
- (i) the difference between the increase in taxable value of the following property of the taxing entity from the previous calendar year to the current year:
- 1384 (A) real property assessed by a county assessor in accordance with Part 3, County Assessment; and
  - (B) property assessed by the commission under Section 59-2-201; plus
- 1387 (ii) the difference between the increase in taxable year end value of personal property 1388 of the taxing entity from the year prior to the previous calendar year to the previous calendar 1389 year; minus

1390	(iii) the amount of an increase in taxable value described in Subsection (4)(e).
1391	(d) For purposes of Subsection (4)(c)(ii), the taxable value of personal property of the
1392	taxing entity does not include the taxable value of personal property that is:
1393	(i) contained on the tax rolls of the taxing entity if that property is assessed by a county
1394	assessor in accordance with Part 3, County Assessment; and
1395	(ii) semiconductor manufacturing equipment.
1396	(e) Subsection (4)(c)(iii) applies to the following increases in taxable value:
1397	(i) the amount of increase to locally assessed real property taxable values resulting
1398	from factoring, reappraisal, or any other adjustments; or
1399	(ii) the amount of an increase in the taxable value of property assessed by the
1400	commission under Section 59-2-201 resulting from a change in the method of apportioning the
1401	taxable value prescribed by:
1402	(A) the Legislature;
1403	(B) a court;
1404	(C) the commission in an administrative rule; or
1405	(D) the commission in an administrative order.
1406	(f) For purposes of Subsection (4)(a)(ii), the taxable year end value of personal
1407	property on the prior year's assessment roll does not include:
1408	(i) new growth as defined in Subsection (4)(c); or
1409	(ii) the total taxable year end value of personal property contained on the prior year's
1410	tax rolls of the taxing entity that is:
1411	(A) assessed by a county assessor in accordance with Part 3, County Assessment; and
1412	(B) semiconductor manufacturing equipment.
1413	(5) (a) On or before June 22, each taxing entity shall annually adopt a tentative budget.
1414	(b) If the taxing entity intends to exceed the certified tax rate, it shall notify the county
1415	auditor of:
1416	(i) its intent to exceed the certified tax rate; and
1417	(ii) the amount by which it proposes to exceed the certified tax rate.
1418	(c) The county auditor shall notify all property owners of any intent to exceed the
1419	certified tax rate in accordance with Subsection 59-2-919(3).
1420	Section 25. Section <b>59-2-924.3</b> is amended to read:

1421	59-2-924.3. Adjustment of the calculation of the certified tax rate for a school
1422	district imposing a capital discretionary levy in a county of the first class.
1423	(1) As used in this section:
1424	(a) "Capital [outlay] discretionary levy increment" means the amount of revenue equal
1425	to the difference between:
1426	(i) the amount of revenue generated by a levy of .0006 per dollar of taxable value
1427	within a school district during a fiscal year; and
1428	(ii) the amount of revenue the school district received during the same fiscal year from
1429	the distribution described in Subsection 53A-16-107.1(1).
1430	(b) "Contributing school district" means a school district in a county of the first class
1431	that in a fiscal year receives less revenue from the distribution described in Subsection
1432	53A-16-107.1(1) than it would have received during the same fiscal year from a levy imposed
1433	within the school district of .0006 per dollar of taxable value.
1434	(c) "Receiving school district" means a school district in a county of the first class that
1435	in a fiscal year receives more revenue from the distribution described in Subsection
1436	53A-16-107.1(1) than it would have received during the same fiscal year from a levy imposed
1437	within the school district of .0006 per dollar of taxable value.
1438	[(2) For fiscal year 2009-10, a receiving school district shall decrease its capital outlay
1439	certified tax rate under Subsection 59-2-924(3)(g)(ii) by an amount required to offset the
1440	receiving school district's estimated capital outlay increment for the current fiscal year.]
1441	[(3)] (2) Beginning with fiscal year 2010-11, a receiving school district shall decrease
1442	its capital [outlay] discretionary levy certified tax rate under Subsection 59-2-924(3)(g)(ii) by
1443	the amount required to offset the receiving school district's [capital outlay] estimated capital
1444	discretionary levy increment for the prior fiscal year.
1445	[(4)] (3) For fiscal year $[2009-10]$ $2010-11$ , a contributing school district is exempt
1446	from the public notice and hearing requirements of Sections 59-2-918 and 59-2-919 for the
1447	school district's capital [outlay] discretionary levy certified tax rate calculated pursuant to
1448	Subsection 59-2-924(3)(g)(ii) if:
1449	(a) the contributing school district budgets an increased amount of ad valorem property
1450	tax revenue exclusive of new growth as defined in Subsection 59-2-924(4) for the capital
1451	[outlay] discretionary levy described in Section [53A-16-107] 53A-17a-164; and

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- 1452 (b) the increased amount of ad valorem property tax revenue described in Subsection 1453 [(4)] (3)(a) is less than or equal to that contributing school district's estimated capital [outlay] 1454 discretionary increment for the current fiscal year. 1455 [(5)] (4) Beginning with fiscal year [2010-11] 2011-12, a contributing school district is 1456 exempt from the public notice and hearing requirements of Sections 59-2-918 and 59-2-919 for 1457 the school district's capital [outlay] discretionary levy certified tax rate calculated pursuant to 1458 Subsection 59-2-924(3)(g)(ii) if: 1459 (a) the contributing school district budgets an increased amount of ad valorem property 1460 tax revenue exclusive of new growth as defined in Subsection 59-2-924(4) for the capital 1461 [outlay] discretionary levy described in Section [53A-16-107] 53A-17a-164; and 1462 (b) the increased amount of ad valorem property tax revenue described in Subsection [(5)] (4)(a) is less than or equal to that contributing school district's capital [outlay] 1463 1464 discretionary levy increment for the prior year. 1465 [(6)] (5) Beginning with fiscal year 2011-12, a contributing school district is exempt 1466 from the public notice and hearing requirements of Sections 59-2-918 and 59-2-919 for the 1467 school district's capital [outlay] discretionary levy certified tax rate calculated pursuant to 1468 Subsection 59-2-924(3)(g)(ii) if: 1469 (a) the contributing school district budgets an increased amount of ad valorem property 1470 tax revenue exclusive of new growth as defined in Subsection 59-2-924(4) for the capital 1471 [outlay] discretionary levy described in Section [53A-16-107] 53A-17a-164; and 1472 (b) the increased amount of ad valorem property tax revenue described in Subsection 1473 [6) (5)(a) is less than or equal to the difference between: 1474 (i) the amount of revenue generated by a levy of .0006 per dollar of taxable value 1475 imposed within the contributing school district during the current taxable year; and
  - [<del>(7)</del>] (<u>6</u>) Regardless of the amount a school district receives from the revenue collected from the .0006 portion of the capital [<del>outlay</del>] <u>discretionary</u> levy required in Subsection [<del>53A-16-107(3)</del>] <u>53A-17a-164(4)</u>, the revenue generated within the school district from the .0006 portion of the capital [<del>outlay</del>] <u>discretionary</u> levy required in Subsection [<del>53A-16-107(3)</del>] <u>53A-17a-164(4)</u> shall be considered to be budgeted ad valorem property tax revenues of the

imposed within the contributing school district during the prior taxable year.

(ii) the amount of revenue generated by a levy of .0006 per dollar of taxable value

1483	school district that levies the .0006 portion of the capital [outlay] discretionary levy for
1484	purposes of calculating the school district's certified tax rate in accordance with Subsection
1485	59-2-924(3)(g)(ii).
1486	Section 26. Section 59-2-924.4 is amended to read:
1487	59-2-924.4. Adjustment of the calculation of the certified tax rate for certain
1488	divided school districts.
1489	(1) As used in this section:
1490	(a) "Capital [outlay] discretionary levy increment" means the amount of revenue equal
1491	to the difference between:
1492	(i) the amount of revenue generated by a levy of .0006 per dollar of taxable value
1493	within a qualifying divided school district during a fiscal year; and
1494	(ii) the amount of revenue the qualifying divided school district received during the
1495	same fiscal year from the distribution described in Section 53A-2-118.3.
1496	(b) "Contributing divided school district" means a school district located within a
1497	qualifying divided school district that in a fiscal year receives less revenue from the distribution
1498	described in Section 53A-2-118.3 than it would have received during the same fiscal year from
1499	a levy imposed within the school district of .0006 per dollar of taxable value.
1500	(c) "Divided school district" means a school district from which a new school district is
1501	created.
1502	(d) "New school district" means a school district:
1503	(i) created under Section 53A-2-118.1;
1504	(ii) that begins to provide educational services after July 1, 2008; and
1505	(iii) located in a qualifying divided school district.
1506	(e) "Qualifying divided school district" means a divided school district:
1507	(i) located within a county of the second through sixth class; and
1508	(ii) with a new school district created under Section 53A-2-118.1 that begins to provide
1509	educational services after July 1, 2008.
1510	(f) "Qualifying fiscal year" means the first fiscal year that a new school district begins
1511	to provide educational services.
1512	(g) "Receiving divided school district" means a school district located within a
1513	qualifying divided school district that in a fiscal year receives more revenue from the

distribution described in Section 53A-2-118.3 than it would have received during the same fiscal year from a levy imposed within the school district of .0006 per dollar of taxable value.

- (2) A receiving divided school district shall decrease its certified tax rate calculated in accordance with Section 59-2-924 by the amount required to offset the receiving divided school district's capital [outlay] discretionary levy increment for the prior fiscal year.
- (3) Beginning with the fiscal year after the qualifying fiscal year, a contributing divided school district is exempt from the public notice and hearing requirements of Sections 59-2-918 and 59-2-919 for the contributing divided school district's certified tax rate calculated pursuant to Section 59-2-924 if:
- (a) the contributing divided school district budgets an increased amount of ad valorem property tax revenue exclusive of new growth as defined in Subsection 59-2-924(4) for the capital [outlay] discretionary levy required in Section 53A-2-118.3; and
- (b) the increased amount of ad valorem property tax revenue described in Subsection (3)(a) is less than or equal to that contributing divided school district's capital [outlay] discretionary levy increment for the prior year.
- (4) Beginning with the fiscal year after the qualifying fiscal year, a contributing divided school district is exempt from the public notice and hearing requirements of Sections 59-2-918 and 59-2-919 for the contributing divided school district's certified tax rate calculated pursuant to Section 59-2-924 if:
- (a) the contributing divided school district budgets an increased amount of ad valorem property tax revenue exclusive of new growth as defined in Subsection 59-2-924(4) for the capital [outlay] discretionary levy described in Section 53A-2-118.3; and
- (b) the increased amount of ad valorem property tax revenue described in Subsection (4)(a) is less than or equal to the difference between:
- (i) the amount of revenue generated by a levy of .0006 per dollar of taxable value imposed within the contributing divided school district during the current taxable year; and
- (ii) the amount of revenue generated by a levy of .0006 per dollar of taxable value imposed within the contributing divided school district during the prior taxable year.
- (5) Regardless of the amount a school district receives from the revenue collected from the .0006 portion of the capital [outlay] discretionary levy described in Section 53A-2-118.3, the revenue generated within the school district from the .0006 portion of the capital [outlay]

1545	discretionary levy described in Section 53A-2-118.3 shall be considered to be budgeted ad
1546	valorem property tax revenues of the school district that levies the .0006 portion of the capital
1547	[outlay] discretionary levy for purposes of calculating the school district's certified tax rate in
1548	accordance with Section 59-2-924.
1549	Section 27. Section <b>59-2-926</b> is amended to read:
1550	59-2-926. Proposed tax increase by state Notice Contents Dates.
1551	If the state authorizes a levy [pursuant to Section 53A-17a-135 that exceeds the
1552	certified revenue levy as defined in Section 53A-17a-103 or authorizes a levy] pursuant to
1553	Section 59-2-1602 that exceeds the certified revenue levy as defined in Section 59-2-102, the
1554	state shall publish a notice no later than ten days after the last day of the annual legislative
1555	general session that meets the following requirements:
1556	(1) The Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst shall advertise that the state authorized
1557	a levy that generates revenue in excess of the previous year's ad valorem tax revenue, plus new
1558	growth, but exclusive of revenue from collections from redemptions, interest, and penalties in a
1559	newspaper of general circulation in the state. The advertisement shall be no less than 1/4 page
1560	in size and the type used shall be no smaller than 18 point, and surrounded by a 1/4-inch
1561	border. The advertisement may not be placed in that portion of the newspaper where legal
1562	notices and classified advertisements appear. The advertisement shall be run once.
1563	(2) The form and content of the notice shall be substantially as follows:
1564	"NOTICE OF TAX INCREASE
1565	The state has budgeted an increase in its property tax revenue from \$ to
1566	\$ or%. The increase in property tax revenues will come from the following
1567	sources (include all of the following provisions):
1568	(a) \$ of the increase will come from (provide an explanation of the cause
1569	of adjustment or increased revenues, such as reappraisals or factoring orders);
1570	(b) \$ of the increase will come from natural increases in the value of the
1571	tax base due to (explain cause of new growth, such as new building activity, annexation, etc.);
1572	<u>and</u>
1573	(c) a home valued at \$100,000 in the state of Utah which based on last year's ([levy for
1574	the basic state-supported school program,] levy for the Property Tax Valuation Agency Fund,
1575	or both) paid \$ in property taxes would pay the following:

(i) \$ if the state of Utah did not budget an increase in property tax revenue
exclusive of new growth; and
(ii) \$ under the increased property tax revenues exclusive of new growth
budgeted by the state of Utah."
Section 28. Section <b>63G-7-704</b> is amended to read:
63G-7-704. Tax levy by political subdivisions for payment of claims, judgments,
or insurance premiums.
(1) For purposes of this section, "political subdivision" does not include a school
district.
[(1)] (2) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a political subdivision
may levy an annual property tax sufficient to pay:
(a) any claim, settlement, or judgment;
(b) the costs to defend against any claim, settlement, or judgment; or
(c) for the establishment and maintenance of a reserve fund for the payment of claims,
settlements, or judgments that may be reasonably anticipated.
[(2)] (a) The payments authorized to pay for punitive damages or to pay the
premium for authorized insurance is money spent for a public purpose within the meaning of
this section and Article XIII, Sec. 5, Utah Constitution, even though, as a result of the levy, the
maximum levy as otherwise restricted by law is exceeded.
(b) No levy under this section may exceed .0001 per dollar of taxable value of taxable
property.
(c) The revenues derived from this levy may not be used for any purpose other than
those specified in this section.
Section 29. Repealer.
This bill repeals:
Section 53A-16-107, Capital outlay levy Maintenance of school facilities
Authority to use proceeds of .0002 tax rate Restrictions and procedure.
Section 53A-16-110, Special tax to buy school building sites, build and furnish
schoolhouses, or improve school property.
Section 53A-16-111, Payment of judgments and warrants Special tax.
Section 53A-17a-134, Board-approved leeway Purpose State support

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1607	Disapproval.
1608	Section 53A-17a-145, Additional levy by district for debt service, school sites,
1609	buildings, buses, textbooks, and supplies.
1610	Section 53A-17a-151, Board leeway for reading improvement.
1611	Section 30. Effective date.
1612	This bill takes effect on January 1, 2010.